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**VIA ECF** 

Hon. Alvin K. Hellerstein Daniel Patrick Moynihan United States Courthouse 500 Pearl Street New York, NY 10007 So ordered. The Clerk shall terminate ECF No. 441.

/s/ Alvin K. Hellerstein, U.S.D.J.

3/3/2025

Re: The Avon Company f/k/a New Avon LLC et al. v. Fareva Morton Grove, Inc. et al., Case No. 22-cv-4724

Dear Judge Hellerstein:

We represent Plaintiffs The Avon Company f/k/a New Avon LLC and LG H&H Co., Ltd. f/k/a LG Household & Health Care, Ltd. (collectively, "Avon") in the above-referenced matter. We write to respectfully request that the Court enter an Order to maintain under seal the document discussed below, copies of which are being contemporaneously filed under seal pursuant to the Court's standing order, 19-mc-00583, and this Court's Individual Rule 4(B)(ii). In support of this Letter Motion, Avon states as follows:

On October 7, 2022, the Court entered a Stipulated Confidentiality Agreement and Protective Order (the "Protective Order"). (ECF No. 65.) The Protective Order permits either party to designate Discovery Material as "Confidential" or "Attorney's Eyes Only," and provides that information so designated may not be disclosed except as expressly permitted under the Protective Order. (ECF No. 65 at  $\P$  2, 12.)

In addition, pursuant to Section 11.1 of the parties' Manufacturing and Supply Agreement (the "MSA"), the parties agreed to "keep completely confidential and not publish or otherwise disclose and not use, directly or indirectly, for any purpose, any Confidential Information furnished or otherwise made known to it, directly or indirectly, by or on behalf of the other Party[.]" (ECF No. 7-1 at § 11.1.) The MSA defines "Confidential Information" as "any information provided by or on behalf of one Party . . . relating to the terms of this Agreement[.]" (ECF No. 7-1 at Definitions.)

On February 28, 2025, Avon intends to file its Opposition to Fareva's Motion for Summary Judgment ("Opposition"). In support of its Opposition, Avon intends to submit the following documents as exhibits to the Declaration of Robert I. Steiner, dated February 28, 2025 ("Steiner Decl.") which either

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Avon, Fareva, or Alvarez & Marsal (who served as a consultant for Fareva) designated as "Confidential" or "Attorneys' Eyes Only":

Document	Produced	Bates Number	Designated As	Filed As
Type	Ву			
E-mail	Avon	AVON0002384 -	Confidential	Steiner Decl.
		AVON0002388		Ex. 23
Email	Avon	AVON0010160 -	Confidential	Steiner Decl.
		AVON0010163		Ex. 24
E-mail	Avon	AVON0020801 -	Confidential	Steiner Decl.
		AVON0020810		Ex. 25
E-mail	Avon	AVON0020939 -	Confidential	Steiner Decl.
		AVON0020945		Ex. 26
E-mail	Avon	AVON0029008 -	Confidential	Steiner Decl.
		AVON0029015		Ex. 27
E-mail	Avon	AVON0053824 -	Confidential	Steiner Decl.
		AVON0053825		Ex. 28
E-mail	Avon	AVON0053901 -	Confidential	Steiner Decl.
		AVON0053906		Ex. 29
E-mail	Avon	AVON0055970 -	Confidential	Steiner Decl.
		AVON0055971		Ex. 30
E-mail	Fareva	FMG_00468113 -	Confidential	Steiner Decl.
		FMG_00468119		Ex. 32
E-mail	Fareva	FMG_00085562 -	Confidential	Steiner Decl.
		FMG_00085565		Ex. 33
E-mail	Fareva	FMG_00165620 -	Confidential	Steiner Decl.
		FMG_00165621		Ex. 34
E-mail	Fareva	FMG_00167722 -	Confidential	Steiner Decl.
		FMG_00167725		Ex. 35
E-mail	Fareva	FMG_00179007	Confidential	Steiner Decl.
				Ex. 36
E-mail	Fareva	FMG_00320621 -	Confidential	Steiner Decl.
		FMG_00320622		Ex. 37
E-mail	Fareva	FMG_00329049 -	Confidential	Steiner Decl.
		FMG_00329050		Ex. 38
Expert	Avon		Confidential	Steiner Decl.
Report				Ex. 44
E-mail	Avon	AVON0089587 -	Confidential	Steiner Decl.
		AVON0089590		Ex. 45
Excel	Alvarez &	AM_AVFA_0005241	Confidential	Steiner Decl.
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		AM_AVFA_0005246		

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E-mail	Fareva	FMG_00220315 - FMG_00220317	Confidential	Steiner Decl. Ex. 47

Avon contends that good cause exists to maintain under seal the documents it has produced as "Confidential" or "Attorneys' Eyes Only," and any references thereto in its Motion papers, because (i) Section 11.1 of the MSA requires Avon to maintain the confidentiality of such documents, and/or (ii) the documents contain sensitive information related to Avon's financial decisions and the operations of Avon's business.

As to documents produced by Fareva or Alvarez & Marsal, Avon is not contending that good cause exists to designate any of the foregoing materials as Confidential or Attorneys' Eyes Only. Instead, Avon merely seeks to comply with its obligations under the Protective Order to file under seal documents that Fareva or Alvarez & Marsal has designated as such. With Fareva's permission, Avon is prepared to refile the foregoing documents or portions thereof publicly.

Avon further respectfully requests that the Court maintain under seal any portions of its Motion papers that reference or quote exhibits that were previously filed under seal based on either party's designation of those materials as Confidential or Attorney's Eyes Only. Those exhibits include the following:

Document	Produced	Bates Number	Designated As	ECF#
Type	Ву			
E-mail	Fareva	FMG_00359385 -	Confidential	ECF 275-1
		FMG_00359390		
Expert	Avon		Confidential	ECF 430-16
Report				
E-mail	Avon	AVON0088219 -	Confidential	ECF 438-19
		AVON0088220		

Finally, Avon respectfully requests that the Court maintain under seal all documents previously filed under seal that are relied on or referred to in the portions of its Opposition filed under seal.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Robert I. Steiner
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cc: All Counsel of Record (via ECF)